

United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota. **Pages S10601–11**

William K. Sessions III, of Vermont, to be Chair of the United States Sentencing Commission.

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the previously scheduled vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination, be withdrawn.

William E. Spriggs, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Joseph A. Main, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health.

Jose Antonio Garcia, of Florida, to be Director of the Office of Minority Economic Impact, Department of Energy.

Marcia K. McNutt, of California, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey.

Arun Majumdar, of California, to be Director of the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy, Department of Energy. **Pages S10652–53**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—325) **Pages S10611, S10614**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned, in accordance with S. Res. 315, at 7:50 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 22, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on Page S10653.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

VALUE OF SPACE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science and Space concluded a hearing to examine space, focusing on the value, after receiving testimony from Stephen I. Katz, Director, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; Scott Pace,

The George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs, and Lennard A. Fisk, University of Michigan, both of Washington, DC; Jeanne L. Becker, National Space Biomedical Research Institute, Houston, Texas; and Helen Greiner, The Droid Works, Framingham, Massachusetts.

ENERGY CONSUMERS AND ENERGY PRICES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the costs and benefits for energy consumers and energy prices associated with the allocation of greenhouse gas emission allowances, after receiving testimony from Gilbert E. Metcalf, Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts; Darius Gaskins, Resources for the Future, and Chad Stone, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, both of Washington, DC; and Alfred Denny Ellerman, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

NATIONAL RESPONSE TO THE H1N1 FLU

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine H1N1 flu, focusing on monitoring the nation's response, after receiving testimony from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security; Kathleen Sebelius, Secretary of Health and Human Services; and Arne Duncan, Secretary of Education.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Craig Becker, of Illinois, Mark Gaston Pearce, of New York, and Brian Hayes, of Massachusetts, all to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, Rolena Klahn Adorno, of Connecticut, and Marvin Krislov, of Ohio, both to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities, and Gloria Valencia-Weber, of New Mexico, Julie A. Reiskin, of Colorado, Martha L. Minow, of Illinois, John Gerson Levi, of Illinois, and Robert James Grey, Jr., of Virginia, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jane Branstetter Stranch, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Alexander and Corker, and Benjamin B. Tucker, of New York, to be Deputy Director for State, Local, and Tribal Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

HEALTH AND BENEFITS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing on pending legislation related to veterans